FACTS AND FANCIES FOR WOMAN AND THE HOME CIRCLE

THE DAILY SHORT STORY

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OR three years Leah Wellington and Grover Gary were true to each other which might be considered

remarkable record. By this is not meant that the pressat generation of men and women is so ruled by fickleness that three years of being true is out of the ordinary, although you will find soured-on the world cynics who will assert that such

One of the extraordinary things tarily about the fealty of Leah and Grover feet. was that during the three-year period in question they were in different said one of them. "I expect we betcities and yet did not exchange a letter or a postcard. But the feature that really justifies the use of the word "remarkable" is the fact that the young lady and the young man concerned never had formed an acquaintanceship-did not, in fact, know each other's names.

Leah was clerk in the magazine, cigar, popcorn, candy, postcard counter at the Union Station in a city of some 109,000 souls in Illinois. Grover was one of those hustling young men who can convince you that not to take out insurance on your life is rank treason against the human race.

Grover arrived at the station one evening, weary from a slow, bumping ride on a local train that appeared to scorn the rails and insist on traversing the ties between them. He had a grouch which he directed against the railroad, the insurance business and the world in general-until he spied

Leah was not in a joyful mood She was obliged to work overtime because the night clerk at the stand was sick and she had to miss a theatre party with four girl friends. She scowled as she sold a fat man a package of gum, but when she looked up from the cash register and saw Grover wreaths of smiles adorned her countenance.

Whenever he tried to talk anything that bordered on the personal. He could not even bring himself to the

him someday!"

"By George! That's the girl I've been waiting all these years for," Grover told himself, "Isn't she the

As a matter of fact, neither of them was beautiful or handsome, although

She smiled welcome at him, somewhat girl that was rightfully his. timidly, for her experience with men had been limited, as his had with girls. He was far from being at ease, and somehow he could not decide what to the first train that left. The train purchase from her. Naturally, when left before Leah was on duty at the things are sold and stares at the clerk the clerk expects to sell something he argued, and still he could not think of anything he needed.

He looked over the magazines, finally selecting one, but when he thrust a hand into his pocket he found that his purse had vanished. She was roll-

ing up the magazine.
"No I don't want that after all," he faltered. I have read it, come to think voice inquired:

She laid it back. He ransacked his brain for the name of some magazine that he did not see on the stand. It was useless. The supply laid before him apparently covered every publication in the world.

She was waiting and he was being tossed on the stormy sea of distress. about He figited and perspired. At last des-one."

perately he blurted out: "The magazine I want is 'The Magnet' Have you the last issue?"

The smile left her face and dissappointment crept into her eyes. She wanted to please this stranger, to furnish him with the article he wanted.

keep that magazine. In fact, I never ally launched the 'Magnet.' I knew heard of it and I thought I was an

authority on periodicals." He thanked her and trudged homeward in a curtain of gloom setteled it has to be good, doesn't it?" over him. He had made a mess of it, he raged and he went to sleep to dream that he had met the girl that was meant for him, and that, just as he was about to lead her to the altar to make her his bride, a witch descended from the clouds and transformed him into a donkey.

However, on thinking it over Grover saw that his blundering had opened the gate of opportunity for further conversations with the miss that fate had selected to become his partner on the highway of life so at least three times a week he appeared at the station and asked if 'the Magnet' magasine had apeared yet. Every' time Leah was obliged to confess that she had been unable to get track of it. If and been possible she would of obtained it for him, for she had made a sarch that included all the agencies

If Grover had used the same tactics n love that he used in selling insurance it would have been comparatively

easy to win his heart's desire. Leah was ready and waiting for him for she was i firm believer in the doctrine that every woman born into the world intended to wed a certain, particular Teah had been told, and she believ-

d, that if a woman failed to marry he man that fate had selected for r unhappiness would be certain to coult. It was the reason for many illures in matromony she was confaced. People didn't wait for the gat one to come along. Somehow eah always felt that she would know en her right one appeared, and now was sure that Grover Gary was So she marely waited for him to down to business and make himsainted and ask her to be his



I Risk My Life and Reputation to Save Dr. Certeis.

over my hand sought the phone. by contrast I was as white as milk.

Again and again I drew it back.

I hid Tommy's cash box in a barrel Again and again I drew it back.

The agony of keeping still was intol- me. erable. Once I was sure my end had No watchman was anywhere in tarily and the thieves jumped to their lived in a splendid old mansion only a

ter bunt in that door before we go." an officer and I was afraid of the few It was Sunday noon and they were alone. I went straight to the servants' eating another meal. When I was entrance of Certeis' house, entered the sure they were busy again, I stood on vestibule, and shut the door. I was my tiptoes on a chair and lifted puss never so afraid in my life. Probably into the opening back of the ventilat-ing fan. The cat was glad to go. He they wouldn't pay much attention to dle of their meal, I judged from the late Sunday night. expletives which followed. They held the cat responsible for the noise they had heard. I shall always love black

cats. That one saved my life. It was one o'clock Monday morning before the men disappeared down the lyn must see him at once!' trap by which they had come up. I I expected to be hinder gave them plenty of time to get out haps put out of the house, but the man of the basement, then I took up the said meekly, although not amiably phone to call Tommy—and to tell Cer- "Yes, Mademoiselle," and disappeared. phone to call Tommy—and to tell Cer-teis. It was dead! They had cut the wires, probably before they came into the store!

I couldn't wait for Tommy to help me. Certeis' life was at stake. I decided to go out and tell the night said as he came toward me with eager watchman—or the policeman. It would take time—I would have to explain how I happened to be in the store and also about my fancy sleeveless dress. word to him at the asylum had been, I opened one of the lockers and found | "Tomorrow, Tony! Tomorrow!"

A telephone stood within reach of a coverall-a huge apron with sleeves my hand. With it I could call the po-lice and save Tommy's money and needed a hat—a gorgeous pink thing Certeis' life! But if I did, it was im- was right at hand, trimmed with a probable that I would live to find out much about my success. Over and designed to top "a load" of rouge and

The thieves enjoyed Tommy's hos- of flour and then crept out of the front pitality "over Sunday," just like me! door. The spring lock snapped behind

come . I turned on my couch involun- sight-nor any policeman. Certeis few blocks from the grocery. I went But they didn't do so immediately, men I passed. I had to face the job jumped down squarely into the mid- one of the maids who had stayed out

> I think I must have an impressive personality. When the butler answer ed my ring, I put on a fine lady man

"Tell Dr. Certels that Mile. Vander-

I expected to be hindered, or per-In a few minutes came the master

of the house, perfectly groomed. shall never cease to wonder how he managed it. "So-you keep your promise?" he

"There he is at last," breathed Leah point of introducing himself. Lovemak"the handsome man I've dreamed about so eften. I always knew I'd meet ers, is so different from selling insurance, particularly when one has to fight back bashfulness in the presence of the other sex.

One morning Grover got out of bed with the determination to do two things. First: he had made up his mind to "write up" a very wealthy, in the way of variety. About the only each possessed the normal amount of attractiveness.

One approached the stand introduce himself and propose to the large supro Grover at once approached the stand introduce himself and propose to the

a stranger approaches a place where stand, and it took Grover away for clusion that he had deserted her.

"Well, let him go," she sighed. "Just because he defies destiny is no reason why I should. I shall remain true to

It was early in the evening when he returned from his three-year absence. Leah was thumbing the first number of a new periodical, when a familiar

"Have you the 'Magnet' magazine?" She jumped back and her eyes opened wide. Then she smiled her first real smile in three years.

"Why yes, I was just reading it. But it contains an announcement that is it the first number of the magazine. There's a good article on the front about 'Everyone was Meant for Some-

"I knew it," he said. "You see, when I used to ask you about the Magnet' magazine I knew very well there was no such publication. It simply gave me an excuse to came in here and talk with you now and then. Three years ago I went to Chicago and She had failed.
"No Sir," she answered, "we don't liness. I made some money, and finthat little article was good, because I wrote it myself. In fact, it's a proposal from me to you, and therefore

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the people and different lodges for the floral tributes and kindness shown to us during the illness and death of our beloved husband father and brother.

MRS. CLAUDE LEE DAVIS AND CHILDREN, J. W. DAVIS, LON H. DAVIS, CHAS. DAVIS. TACIE DAVIS DOWNS.

NEXT WEEK

By BIDDY BYE.

Now is the testing season for the palate satisfied and bodies well nourished with little aid from the markets ing and serving.

Sunday. .

Breakfast-Sliced oranges and bananas, country sausage, corn griddle

Dinner-Stuffed breast of veal, glazed carrots and onions, boiled spinach with hard-boiled egg and French iressing, frozen custard, sponge cake. Supper — Clam chowder, wafers, nuts and apples.

Breakfast—Stewed apples, oatmeal with cream and sugar, toast, coffee. Lunch-Corn pudding, brewn-bread cheese sandwiches, tea.

Dinner — Corned beef, hash, boiled beets (canned), baked potatoes, fruit salad, cookies, tea.

Tuesday.

Breakfast-Cream of wheat cooked with dates, cream and sugar, French toast coffee

Lunch-Banana and peanut salad, oatmeal cookies, cocoa. Dinner-Veal pie with vegetables, barley muffins ,canned fruit, coffee.

Breakfast - Stewed apricots, reamed chipped beef, boiled potatoes,

Lunch—Rice and tomato soup, toast ed cheese sandwiches. Dinner-Escalloped cauliflower and cheese, string beans (canned), Johnnycake, hot maple syrup, tea.

Breakfast-Baked apples, corn and rice muffins, honey, cocoa. Lunch-Codfish balls, creamed po tatoes, canned fruit, cookies.

Dinner-Liver on casserole, with regetables, fried apple rings, fresh gingerbread, tea.

Friday.

Breakfast - Stewed pears, boiled rice with cream and sugar, cinnamon toast, coffee. Lunch-Lima bean loaf, tomato

sauce, apple sauce cake. Dinner-Baker heminy and oysters,

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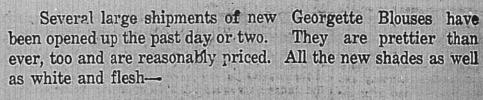
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creamed peas and carrots, head lettuce salad, French dressing, prune whip.

In town for the past year removed to the E. L. Billingslea farm on Harter in Fairmont on Wednesday.

Hill this week and will engage in agri-

Saturday.

Breakfast - Sliced oranges, fish cakes, toast, coffee. Lunch-Tomato soup, chopped green pepper and cottage cheese, sandwiches, cup cakes.

Dinner-Baked beans, fresh brown bread, boiled rutabagas with butter, canned pear and nut salad, coffee.

Worthington

Attend Union Meeting. evangelistic meeting at Shinnston on Wednesday evening. They were all well pleased with the sermon which was preached by Rev. S. S. Lappin of Bethany, representing the Christian Fairmont on Tuesday. church. His topic was "The Light

Located On a Farm. count of the illi E. B. White who has been located Jennie Morgan.

cultural pursuits.

Will Establish a Depot. We understand the Monongahela and Thursday.
Valley Traction Co., has rented a portion of the Oakes building and will es-

tablish a freight and passenger station. The owners are having the neccessary changes made in the room.

A Correction.

In our last letter we stated that Rev. S. J. Satterfield was conducting the evangelistic services at the Methodist Protestant church. It was impossible for the pastor to conduct the meeting and Rev. J. I. Vincent, a former A delegation of about forty persons president of the West Virginia Confrom Worthington attended the Union ference of the church was secured and is doing the preaching. Personals.

A. J. Daniels and S. K. Jacobs were transacting legal business in Mrs. J. C. Jacobs was called to Barrackville on Wednesday on account of the lilness of a relative, Mrs.

shopping in town on Thursday. Thos. Neff of Buckhannon was a business visitor here on Wednesday

A. J. McDaniel was a business visitor in Shinnston on Thursday. Jas. W. Davis of Edgemont was transacting business in town on Thursday.



Constipation corrective Dr. K

DOINGS OF THE DUFFS-(A MAN THINKS HIS WIFE SHOULD ALWAYS BE AT HOME WHEN HE GETS THERE)-BY ALLMAN.

